

1 SENATE HEALTH AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
2 SENATE BILL 339

3 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO JUVENILE SERVICES; RENAMING THE JUVENILE CONTINUUM
12 GRANT FUND AS THE JUVENILE EQUITY COMMUNITY GRANT FUND;
13 REQUIRING JUVENILE JUSTICE CONTINUUMS TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT
14 ARE INCLUSIVE AND EQUITABLE.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 9-2A-14.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007,
18 Chapter 351, Section 1) is amended to read:

19 "9-2A-14.1. JUVENILE [~~CONTINUUM~~] EQUITY COMMUNITY GRANT
20 FUND--CREATED--PURPOSE--ADMINISTRATION--GRANT APPLICATIONS.--

21 A. The "juvenile [~~continuum~~] equity community grant
22 fund" is created as a nonreverting fund in the state treasury.
23 The fund shall be administered by the children, youth and
24 families department and shall consist of appropriations, gifts,
25 grants, donations and bequests made to the fund.

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1 B. Money in the juvenile [~~continuum~~] equity
2 community grant fund is subject to appropriation by the
3 legislature to the children, youth and families department for
4 awarding grants to juvenile justice continuums for the
5 provision of [~~cost-effective~~] individualized services, juvenile
6 diversion programs, system improvement and temporary, nonsecure
7 alternatives to detention for juveniles arrested or referred to
8 juvenile probation [~~and parole~~] or at a risk of such referral.

9 C. A local or tribal government may apply for a
10 grant from the juvenile [~~continuum~~] equity community grant fund
11 for a juvenile justice continuum within its jurisdiction. The
12 amount of the grant application shall not exceed sixty percent
13 of the annual cost of the continuum. A local match of forty
14 percent may consist of money, land, equipment or in-kind
15 services.

16 D. The children, youth and families department
17 shall adopt rules on qualifications for grants and specify the
18 format, procedure and deadlines for grant applications. The
19 juvenile justice advisory committee shall make recommendations
20 to the department relating to qualifications, format, procedure
21 and deadlines for grant applications. The juvenile justice
22 advisory committee shall review all grant applications and
23 submit those applications recommended for final approval to the
24 secretary of children, youth and families.

25 E. Disbursements from the juvenile [~~continuum~~]

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1 equity community grant fund shall be made upon vouchers issued
 2 and signed by the secretary of children, youth and families or
 3 the secretary's designee upon warrants drawn by the secretary
 4 of finance and administration.

5 F. As used in this section, a "juvenile justice
 6 continuum" is a system of services [~~and sanctions~~] for
 7 juveniles arrested or referred to juvenile probation [~~and~~
 8 ~~parole~~] or who are at risk of such referral. [~~and consists of~~
 9 ~~a~~] Juvenile justice continuums are formed through formal
 10 partnership among one or more units of local or tribal
 11 governments, the children's court, the district attorney, the
 12 public defender, local law enforcement agencies, the public
 13 schools and other entities such as private nonprofit
 14 organizations, the business community, community organizations,
 15 community members and religious organizations. [A] Juvenile
 16 justice continuums shall provide services that are inclusive of
 17 eligible juveniles. Juvenile justice [~~continuum~~] continuums
 18 shall be established through a memorandum of understanding and
 19 a continuum board composed of representatives that reflect the
 20 diverse population of juveniles being served by juvenile
 21 justice continuums."

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